

HENRY WATTERSON

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(Copyright, 1896, by the Associated Press.) PARIS, Nov. 18.--Hon. Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier Journal, who was prominently urged for the nomination for the presidency at the Indianapolis convention, but whose name was formally withdrawn, has remained in this city since the election. His views upon the result upon the national campaign just closed have been furnished in the following revised interview:

"The election of Mr. McKinley," said Mr. Watterson to-day, "is but the beginning of the end of the struggle, which one way and another has been going on in the United States for twenty years. It began in the west and south with a demand for flat money. No sooner was the greenback party disposed of than the free silver party took its place. Other questions being at the front, and few of our public men experts in coinage, free silver was able to commit to the new monetary delusion many men who, except for their ignorance of this particular question, could never have been reached and who were sound to the core as to the national credit and a safe, stable circulating medium. Among these public men was Mr. McKinley himself. The leaders of the flat money movement, reinforced by the silver mine owners, finally made an incursion into the Republican party and got possession of the machinery of the Democratic party. This culminated in the nomination and defeat of Mr. Bryan. With that defeat ended the free silver frenzy and the danger of a 16 to 1 kind. But the elements of disorder it has called into being and the agrarian issues it has set into motion are left upon the scene, and we may be sure that these will continue their assault upon the life of the nation and the integrity of the people until they are swept out of existence in 1900. Mr. McKinley's election settles nothing. It merely removes that money and depreciated silver dollars from among the risks ahead."

A Question of Honor.

Mr. Watterson was asked if the union between the gold Democrats and the Republicans could last and he replied: "I do not see how it can. The differences are too doctrinal and radical. Mr. McKinley is an extreme protectionist. The sound money Democrats are sincere revenue reformers. Certainly statesmanship is largely an affair of compromises. But to be effectual and beneficial the compromises must be logical and just."

"Bryanism was simply mobism, and before such an issue whenever raised, party distinctions must vanish from the minds of patriotic men. But the immediate danger over the original disagreements are bound to reappear."

"But Mr. Watterson," said the interviewer, "has not the Republican victory been so overwhelming as to carry all before it?"

"For the time being, yes," was the reply. "The Republican party has had its time great good fortune. It has shown itself a clever opportunity. But it cannot rest its case upon the doctrine of protection. Neither as a policy, as a theory, nor as a key-note can protection hold its own or stand alone. It could be no longer necessary, if it were truly necessary to the American manufacturer. It is the father of paternalism, and the god-father of Populism. It is the occasion of constant corruption in Congress. The manufacturers themselves ought to lead the movement to discard it. They could, if they would, have the question settled by a vote of the people and save it from the hands of the mob. On such a line all conservative men could unite to rescue the people from anarchy. But with Mr. McKinley in the presidency, this seems impossible and I confess I dread to think of the attempt to which he is tempted to bring back the McKinley duties under the mere pretext of supplying a deficit which is not likely to occur at the close of the fiscal year."

"What of the sectional spirit and rivalry?"

"Among a people so great in numbers and occupying such a vast territorial section, sectional distinctions, growing out of conflicting local interests are inevitable. We had a north and a south."

"We are beginning to hear of an east and a west. He who knows the whole country and is familiar with the people from the Canada line to the Mexican border and between the two oceans, needs not be told that to be infected by other nationalities, the popular homogeneity in America is little short of amazing."

"The Demagogue is Dangerous."

"But, the demagogue is always around, and there is ever a chance to stir up strife between rival communities but he finds work in his hand, and particularly to his mouth, it being with him usually a hand to mouth affair."

"A few resolute, self-confident leaders, as they often do, compel a reluctant acquiescence of a timid, vacillating majority; and thus whole communities are driven like herds of cattle down the mountain side, they know not how or why, by a sort of unconscious impulsion. I do not believe that in 1860-61 more than two of the southern states actually voted themselves out of the Union. Kentucky, Virginia, North Carolina, and Tennessee did not, and yet such in the pressure and influence the humane Union majority of February and March of the latter year was bound in July fighting the battle of the confederacy."

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CUBAN BELLEGERENCY.

No Intention of the South American Republics to Recognize It.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 18.--Diplomats well informed regarding the conditions and sentiments of South and Central American republics are authority for the statement that there is no intention on the part of the governments of these countries to recognize Cuban belligerency. Bolivia has evinced a purpose to grant such recognition, but it is explained that Bolivia has no ports nor commerce that can be affected and could take the step without fear of any disastrous consequences at the hands of Spain.

The tone of the official papers of South America generally have been friendly to Spain and the governments of the respective countries do not care to take any position which might result in hostilities with Spain.

The attitude of the United States diplomats from the southern republics say, will govern nearly every South American country as to recognition of belligerency of non-intervention. This disposition on the part of the South and Central American republics to conform their foreign policies to that of the United States it is stated, has been more marked since the intervention of the United States in the Venezuelan boundary dispute.

THE SPANISH LOAN.

The Amount Subscribed--Recruits for the Philippine Islands.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.--The following has been received by cable from official Spanish sources:

MADRID, Nov. 17, 1896.

The amount known to have been subscribed towards the new loan of 252,000,000 pesetas, nearly \$100,000,000. Many of the provinces have yet to report. The government has decided to send 10,000 men to the Philippine Islands in addition to 6,000 now under orders for that destination. Official advices received here report the surrender of 600 in Manou in province of Pinar del Rio. Engagements are reported with the rebels under Betancourt and Sangul during which the rebels lost many horses. The rebels were dispersed.

Weyler Has Resigned.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.--A private dispatch was received in this city to-night from Madrid to the effect that General Weyler had resigned as Captain General of the Spanish army in Cuba and that General Prando had been named by the government as his successor.

A Spanish Report.

HAVANA, Nov. 18.--General Munez, who is now suffering from sickness, has had two engagements with the insurgents at Sitio and Hondy. The enemy left eighteen killed on the field and retired without his wounded. The troops had one captain and one soldier killed and twenty-five men wounded.

Colonel Mondonea, while reconnoitering on the heights on Grillo, this province, has been engaged with the insurgents under Arango. The enemy was entrenched, but after three hours, fighting the insurgents were dislodged from their positions and left seventeen killed behind them, retreating with their wounded. The Spanish force had six men killed and three officers and thirty-eight privates wounded.

Spanish War Vessels.

HAVANA, Nov. 18.--Madrid advices by cable refer to an official telegram received by Admiral Boranger, minister of the navy, Madrid. The telegram was from Gen. Camara, chief of the Spanish naval commission, now in England. Gen. Camara reported that he would be in Glasgow on the sixth to be present at the official trials of the war vessels Destroyer and Terror, and that he wished to have a look on the Formentor.

In a few days the vessels will be added to the Spanish navy. Four more of the same type will be built by Spain. They will bear the following names: Osado, Audaz, Pluton and Prosperina.

Insurgents Win a Victory.

TAMPA, Fla., Nov. 18.--Cuban leaders here 18-day received information that the insurgents have just won one of the most important battles fought on the island during the progress of the war. The battle was in Pinar del Rio but no details are given. Cubans here are rejoicing, as this is the first real battle since Weyler took the field.

Gen. Laque Wounded.

KEY WEST, FLA., Nov. 18.--Passengers by the steamer from Havana which arrived very late report that Gen. Laque has been wounded in Pinar del Rio.

A report was current in Havana that Captain General Weyler will return at once to the city. The Spanish merchants and others on Murala street were very indignant over the report.

Short of Food.

HAVANA, Nov. 18.--The insurgents are said to have formed a factory in Pinar del Rio. Nevertheless reports are received of scarcity of food and clothing. The constant rifle volleys which have been heard since the invasion of Pinar del Rio by Captain Weyler, have frightened the cattle, and they have hidden in the mountains, where it is difficult to secure them food.

THE FRUIT CROP.

The Report for November--Apples, Pears and Grapes Satisfactory.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 18.--The agricultural department fruit report for November says:

The returns give comparative yields of apples, pears and grapes, and in the main reflect the returns for the condition made in the preceding months. In the case of apples the standard of comparison has been exceeded in no less than eight of the northern tier of states, which comprises the most important winter apple section of the country. Other states in this region also report excellent yields. In other sections, as the figures show, the crop is at best only moderate.

Steamship Stranded.

BRISTOL, Eng., Nov. 18.--The British steamer Memphis, Captain Williams, from Montreal on November 4, for Avonmouth, is ashore in Duntulough Bay, after being stranded her crew took to the sea in the preceding month. In the case of the coast guard sent for a rocket apparatus and it was promptly forwarded to the scene. Unhappily, the gale was blowing so strongly that only the captain and part of the crew of the Memphis were saved. It is believed that nine men were lost.

Cattle and other portions of the steamer's cargo are now washing ashore. Her hull was completely submerged and only her upper masts can be seen above water.

Steamship Arrivals.

NEW YORK--Santiago, from Havana, etc.

NANPES--Karamania, from New York.

LIVERPOOL--Lancaster, from New Orleans; Waealand, from Philadelphia.

Weather Forecast for To-day.

For Western Pennsylvania, threatening weather, with showers, turning to snow; decidedly colder with cold wave Thursday; southwesterly winds, becoming northwesterly; high on the lakes.

For Ohio, threatening weather, with showers or light snow; decidedly colder, with a cold wave Thursday; brisk to high southwesterly winds, becoming northerly.

For West Virginia, threatening weather, with occasional light showers; decidedly colder, with a cold wave in western portion; southerly winds, becoming northerly.

Local Temperature.

The temperature yesterday as observed by C. Senneff, druggist, corner Fourth and Market streets, was as follows:

7 a. m. 52 1/2 p. m. 71

9 a. m. 55 1/2 p. m. 68

12 m. 62 1/2 p. m. 62

Weather--Change.

KNIGHTS OF LABOR.

Proposition to Bar Out all But Free Silver Men.

DECLARATION IN THE PREAMBLE

Which Would Have that Effect--A Radical Measure--Not Acted Upon, but an Action Almost as Extreme Taken--A Subordinate Degree Known as "Minute Men" Recommended by the Committee on State of the Order--To-day the Last Day of the Session.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Nov. 18.--The first session to-day of the general assembly Knights of Labor, was taken up in discussing recommendations of the committee on the state of the order and reports of general officers on which no decision was reached. The convention will probably not adjourn to-morrow night.

There was a recommendation introduced that, instead of endorsing free coinage of silver, a declaration of that tenor be made a portion of the preamble which would prevent any one not in favor of the free coinage of silver at the rate of 16 to 1 becoming a member of the order. This recommendation was not acted upon.

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At the afternoon session of the general assembly the committee reported as their recommendation the following resolution:

"That in the opinion of the general assembly while monetary reform is fully provided for in the sixteenth and seventeenth planks of our preamble, the free coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, regardless of the action of any other nation, is important, looking toward the ultimate success of the system we desire, and we therefore heartily endorse the agitation for and support of free coinage as a means to the end we seek."

After a lengthy discussion the report was re-committed, the general sentiment being that it was hardly as strong an expression as the order was prepared to make.

The recommendations in general Secretary-treasurer Hayes report on "Glass-workers' Local Assembly 200, of Pittsburgh," the only local assembly allowed to have branches throughout the country, under its own supervision were adopted as recommended. The recommendations provided that "the general executive board be instructed as a legislative committee to urge that instead of a prohibitory tariff on the glass, the tariff be transferred to the immigrant glassworkers; that the industry shall be retained in the control of native workmen kept where they properly belong; protection against a product itself while the producer is admitted free is now and must always continue to be a fact."

The question before the assembly at the afternoon adjournment was whether an order shall issue compelling members to choose between this order and the affiliated organizations of the